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1. OAU SUMMIT EXAMINED REPORT OF OAU LIBERATION COMMITTEE (ALC) ON CANARY ISLANDS JULY 21, WHICH INCLUDED OAU RECOGNITION OF MPAIAC AS LEGITIMATE AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENT AND RECOMMENDATION FOR OAU ASSISTANCE TO MPAIAC. SUMMIT WOULD NOT ACCEPT ALC RECOMMENDATIONS, AMOUNTING TO REJECTION OF MPAIAC CLAIMS. HOWEVER SUMMIT DID RECOMMEND OAU CONTINUE TO EXAMINE CANARY ISLANDS QUESTION FOR CONFIDENTIAL

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CONSIDERATION OF NEXT SUMMIT IN MONROVIA (1979).

2. COMMENT: OAU DECISION TO DEFER CANARY ISLANDS
QUESTION UNTIL NEXT YEAR OBVIOUSLY REPRESENTS INTERIM
VICTORY FOR SPANISH GOVT. AND ITS SUPPORTERS IN AFRICA.
HOWEVER, MPAIAC BACKERS WILL PROBABLY CONTINUE TO KEEP ISSUE

BEFORE OAU DURING COMING YEAR, EVEN THOUGH OAU AS WHOLE
BELIEVES ISSUE SHOULD HAVE LOW PRIORITY COMPARED TO SOUTHERN
AFRICA.
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